

## Active Pallbearers

Robert Wanza  
Andre Parrish  
Jeffrey Hall  
Richard L. Johnson  
Kam Dewberry

Micah Parrish  
D'Andre Wilson  
Acey Carr  
Gregory Haynes

## Honorary Pallbearers

Reginald Parrish  
Robert Wanza  
Micah Parrish  
D'Andre Wilson  
Cameron Parrish

Richard Johnson  
Kam Dewberry  
Andre Parrish  
Eric Parrish  
John Belton, Sr.

## Our Sincerest Gratitude . . .

We are grateful for every expression of love and concern extended to us during the illness and transition of George. We have found comfort in the many prayers, acts of kindness and generosity you all have shown toward us, as well as your love, support and kind words. Your prayers are sustaining us; your telephone calls were uplifting; the cards, food and flowers showed that you really care. We thank Houston Methodist Hospital, for the care they provided as well as Harbor Hospice. A special thank you to Dr. Danny Cheng and Dr. Kelty Baker. Please continue to pray with and for us, as we accept God's will.

~The Family~

*Interment*  
Chapel Hill Cemetery  
Normangee, Texas

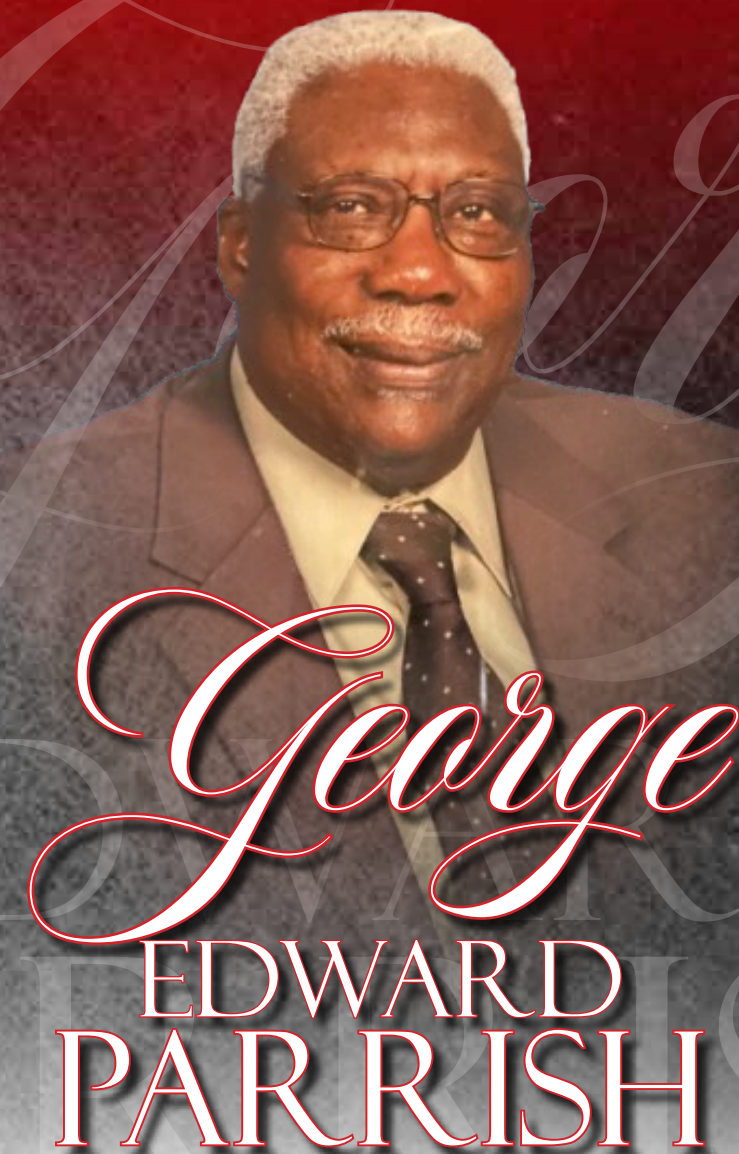
## Repast

Dinner will be served at Lake House on Lake Madison  
1215 East Collard Street, Madisonville, Texas 77864

Final Arrangements Entrusted to



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF A PARRISH LEGEND



*Sunrise: April 22, 1934 - Sunset: December 1, 2024*

*I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:  
Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord,  
the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto  
all them also that love his appearing.*  
-Timothy 4:7-8 (KJV)

## Service

Friday, December 6, 2024  
11:00 AM

Gethsemane Baptist Church  
8775 Flagship Drive  
Houston, Texas 77029  
Rev. Dennis C. Jones, Pastor/Officiating

# Obituary

## GEORGE EDWARD PARRISH

George Edward Parrish was born on April 22, 1934, in Madisonville, Texas to Doris and George Parrish. Being that he was short in stature for many years he was affectionately called "Shorty" by family and friends. He accepted Christ at an early age and attended school in what is now the Madisonville Consolidated Independent School District. He was an avid basketball player, and he ran track during high school which led him to travel throughout the United States and Internationally.

George attended Tyler Barber College, where he met Eunice Thompson, and she later became his wife. They were married on September 18, 1954, and moved to Houston, Texas. To this union three children were born, Cheryl, Reginald and Felicia Sue. After being a barber for 10 years, George began his career at Maxwell House Coffee which later became Kraft Heinz. He was hard working, dependable, and received recognition for safety and his knowledge of the coffee industry. In May 1996, he celebrated his retirement as a Process Operator with over 32 dedicated years of service.

Shorty gave back to his community of Pleasantville in various ways. He was the coach of the boy's little league baseball team as well as being the assistant coach of the co-ed softball teams. George will be most remembered for his passion and devotion to his family and his neighbors. Every year starting after Thanksgiving, he and his neighbors decorated their street with elaborate Christmas decorations on their homes and on the street. People came from near and far to admire the decorations as they drove by slowly in their cars.

George is preceded in death by his parents, Doris and George Parrish, his wife, Eunice Parrish, and his daughter, Felicia Parrish.

He leaves to embrace his memory, two children, Cheryl Parrish King, and Reginald Parrish (Leanne), 4 grandchildren, Micah Parrish (Atlantis), Andre Parrish (Farrah), Chelisse Wilson (D'Andre), Robert Wanza, 4 great great-grandchildren, Ava Parrish, Peyton Parrish, Shiloh Parrish, Aniya Wanza, Brayden Moore, Kam Dewberry and 1 great-great grandchild, Kalani Parrish

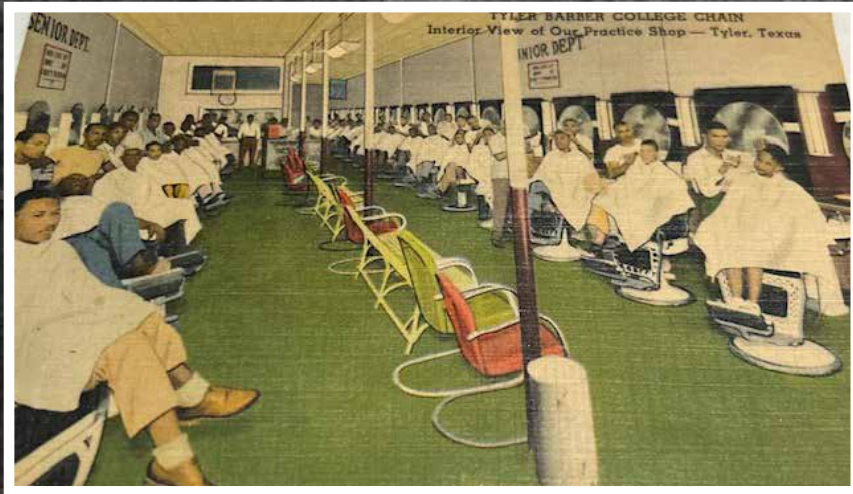
He also leaves to honor his life Richard Johnson and Ellen Marie Nellums, and a host of other relatives and lifelong friends.

***There will never be another George Edward Parrish!***



## PSALM 37:23-40 (KJV)

*The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed. Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore. For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off. The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever. The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment. The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide. The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him. The Lord will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged. Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it. I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found. Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace. But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble. And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.*



# Order of Service

**Processional** ..... Clergy, Bearers and Family

**Life's Reflection**..... Read Silently (soft music)

**Solo** ..... Sharon Holiday-Jackson

**Old Testament**..... Pastor J. O. Holiday

**New Testament** ..... Rev. Frank A Celestin

**Prayer** ..... Darius Jones

**Solo** ..... Sharon Holiday-Jackson

**Resolution & Acknowledgements**..... Kavon Harris

**Expressions**

As a Father..... Cheryl King and Reginald Parrish

As a Great-Grandfather ..... Kam Dewberry

**Song of Praise** ..... Gethsemane Baptist Church

**The Spoken Word**..... Rev. Dennis C. Jones, Pastor

**Invitation to Discipleship**

**Recessional** ..... Clergy, Bearers, Family and Friends

04.22.1934 - 12.01.2024

## FROM YOUR FAMILY WITH LOVE...

### DAIA'

Every time I thought of you, I would pray that the day will be a gentle one for you. . . a day that brings you plenty of comfort, reasons to smile, and lots and lots of reminders of how very LOVED you were. You were pretty good at a lot of things . . . but you were really A GREAT FATHER and that's what mattered most to me. You taught us that it's important to live in the moment but it's more important to live in the now with intent, "so that when you are 90, you can look back and smile at all the people you loved, the memories you made and the life you chose to live." I miss our daily talks, and your amazing sense of humor. A kindred spirit, love and dedication for family and friends and overall, a great man, you will be missed! You will always live on in my heart. I love you, Daia'!

*-Cheryl*

### DAD

You weren't just an amazing father; you were an incredible human being. Your love, your patience, your understanding, your wisdom and your amazing sense of humor will live on inside us forever. You have given us gifts that are more precious than anything in this world. I will cherish the memories I have with you, and I know you are smiling down on all of us. You will always live on in my heart. I love you, Dad.

*-Reginald*

### PAPA

Your love, wisdom, and strength continue to guide me, and your memory is a source of comfort and inspiration. Even though you're gone, your spirit lives on in those you touched, and your legacy will always be a part of me. I love and miss you PaPa.

*-Robert*

### PAPA

To the man who showed us the true meaning of love, family values and dedication, we will forever be proud to be a Parrish. Thank you for all you've done. Until we meet again

*-Micah, Atlantis and Shiloh*

### PAPA

You were a man who had an indelible spirit . . . You loved us through your actions and your words of wisdom, I can't ever recall a time seeing you angry. Papa was always with a smile. You are truly loved, will always be missed. Thank you for guiding us and giving us the example of what being a Patriarch and a provider means to those who you in care over. . . Rest in peace now . .

*-Andre*

### DEAR PAWPA,

From the day I was born you've always loved, supported, and shown up for me through all aspects of my life. You taught me humility, kindness, hard work, dedication, and patience – your legacy will continue to inspire me throughout my life. Though I'm saddened by your passing, I find peace knowing you are finally free from pain. I am so thankful that we shared 20 birthdays together.

*-Love Kam*

### OUR DEAREST PAWPA

To an incredible man who will be forever in our hearts, God saw you were getting weary, so he did what he thought was best. He came and stood beside you and whispered,

"Come Get Your Rest". We love you Pawpa

*-Chelisse and D'Andre*

### TO OUR PAWPA

We will miss you and the times we had but we hold in our hearts forever.

Thank you for being such a great PawPa!

*-Love your Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren*

...REMEMBERING YOU ALWAYS